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Sent Via Electronic Mail to: AGibbs@dickinsonwright.com

Dear Ms. Gibbs:

Please accept this correspondence in response to the November 2, 2018 letter from the Conservator of the Detroit Community School ("District"). The Conservator's letter requested, among other things, confirmation that the District "is no longer in violation for employing an uncertificated school administrator"

Based solely on the information the District has provided to the Michigan Department of Education's Office of Educator Excellence at this time, the Department agrees that the District is no longer in violation for its previous employment of an uncertified school administrator. The Department concurs with the Conservator's position that Ms. Kenturah Godfrey currently holds the required certification for employment as School Leader.

Please note that this letter does not waive any future determination by the Department that the District is violating or has violated certification requirements with respect to either school administrators or teachers, see MCL 380.1246, MCL 380.1536, and its obligation to impose an appropriate salary deduction penalty, see MCL 388.1763.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Leah Breen".

Leah Breen
Director
Office of Educator Excellence

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